I2tbjune SIR ARTHUR SAVAGE TO COMMAND IN FRANCE

Novv that Sir Thomas Baslenille is dead. Sir Arthur Srvage hath the principal charge of the 2,000 soldier* sent into France to aid the French King He is to take order that as few Irish as possible be retained in his company, and tho^e cassed as soon as may be, though those officers and others that have deserved well may be continued The sick men shall be sent back forth-with, for it is a mere abuse that her Majesty shoold pav so many and have the service of so few He shall not allow strangers to be passed in the musters, except it be two Frenchmen in a company that may be necessary to male an\ provision or other-wise to be employed on messages

ityhjune TIMOROUS GENTLEMEN

Three gentlemen of the Isle of Wight recently left their livings there to dwell elsewhere, and being reboked for this desertion, they replied that they could dispose of their posses-sions as they pleased and make choice of their habitations -where they listed They are now very severelv warned bv the Council that if in a common danger they refuse to stand to the defence of their own and withdraw themselves for their pmate safety, her Majesty will enter into possession of it Their ingratitude to her Majesty doth herein notably appear that it pleased her for their defence to send others thither that had no benefit by the Isle, yet they that have part of their possessions and living there would abandon the pkce and expose it to hazard whereby they showed the weakness of their minds, unworthy of men fit to dwell in a commonwealth,

ABUSES OVER MUSTERS

From the counties of Devon, Norfolk, Suffolk, Sussex, Somerset and Oxfordshire complaints of great

abuses are reported, as of exacting or taking sums of money or other compositions of divers persons to keep them from being unprested, and in changing or dismissing others for bribes that were levied, also in defrauding the county of arms and furniture

Ulster is now universally revolted, no part of it is free from hostility against her Majesty and adherence to the capital traitors of Tyrone In Connaught not one of the six shires is